

SHIPBUILDING
PROGRESS NOWNew Tonnage Increasing
Rapidly with Labor En-
ergy, Says Holland.

Edward A. Filene, who is chairman of the War Shipping Committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and who has devoted substantially all of his time to the shipping service, spoke encouragingly to the members of the Merchants' Association of New York of the progress of American shipbuilding. The Merchants' Association of many of its members have been co-operating with the government in the building program. Mr. Filene was asked to address the members at a meeting held a day or two ago.

It appears, according to the figures he possesses, that our ship production in March and April was much less in tonnage than the amount destroyed by the submarines. This was due to various causes which could not be overcome. Now, however, our progress in shipbuilding, upon which the fate of the army greatly depends, is as large as to justify Mr. Filene in the belief that within six months the American shipyards will be completing each month vessels, fully equipped, ready to sail, of an aggregate capacity of seven hundred thousand tons.

Shipbuilding must proceed very rapidly if we are to transport to France the army which within a year's time may be as great as two million men and certainly no less than a million and a half. There appears to be one factor not yet satisfactorily adjusted which may cause some falling off in our shipbuilding output, and that is the factor of labor. In fact Mr. Filene told the Merchants' Association that the speed of ship construction from this time on will depend upon labor more than any other factor. Nevertheless it is known that labor is as far as possible doing its full share, not only in ship construction but in the other industries. The fact that the shipyard workers are doing better at the shipyards when convenient housing facilities are furnished to the laborers. There come reports from many of the shipyards that the skilled artisans are inspired not only by loyalty, but also by a remarkable sense of pride in their achievements, so that from these skilled artisans is coming a wonderful degree of efficiency.

Wage Workers Energetic.
All over the United States the men who are working for wages are for the most part giving, to the extent of their ability, energy and faithful service, and are responding to extraordinary appeals made to them by the government. Examples will illustrate this.

The managers of a large industry at Niagara Falls, many of whose artisans are not citizens of the United States, called the men together recently so that it might be learned whether these men were willing to give faithful, earnest and efficient service in the manufacture of commodities which are needed by the government. How many of you are willing to do this? was a question put to these employees. Without hesitation every hand went up and the pledge thus given has been faithfully kept.

Within a few weeks one of the larger industries of the United States received an order from the government for a large quantity of its product. How many of you are willing to do this? was a question put to these employees. Without hesitation every hand went up and the pledge thus given has been faithfully kept.

Labor Enthusiastic.

In other ways labor in the United States is showing patriotism and enthusiasm, not hampered to any great extent by a disposition to insist upon the stricter rules of the labor organization. The campaign for selling liberty bonds reported this morning that when full details of the sale of these bonds are received it will be found that the number of individual subscriptions is concerned, much the larger part will be found to represent subscriptions made by those who work for wages. There is not a man in the country who is not doing his part in the highest efficiency of labor in the building of ships is concerned. The shipbuilders of the United States have now in supreme authority over them, so far as the government is concerned, one of the great masters of the science whereby there are established cordial, man-to-man, relations between those who employ and those who receive wages for their employment—Charles M. Schwab.

Reports come to New York from

many parts of the country that the wage earners, if their leadership be abridged, if the direction of their work be in the hands of men of masterly executive ability in whom the workmen have confidence, will represent by their aggressive efforts the high water-mark of American efficiency which is undoubtedly to be established this year, whereby our man-power, our munitions, our equipment for war, our ships and our food products may be equal to any demand made by the government. After the war the new relations which are now being established between those who pay wages and those who work for wages are, it is believed, likely greatly to eliminate friction and establish in its place well balanced cooperation between employers and employees.

ALEXANDRIA HOMES
TO USE WATER GASWork of Installation of 'New Plant'
Will Be Finished This Month.

THE HERALD BUREAU.
R. E. Knight & Son, Alexandria, Va., May 12.—The committee on light of the city council is having a water gas plant installed to take the place of the present method of making gas. This plant was recently purchased by the light committee from the Rosalyn Gas Company. It is expected that the work of installing the plant will be completed within the next month.

For more than a year past there has been general complaint among gas consumers throughout the city of the poor quality of gas furnished by the city and the committee on light at last decided to try water gas. The committee on light is of the opinion that with the new method put into operation the present difficulties will be overcome.

A Red Cross rally was held this afternoon in Liggett Hall at the Episcopal High School, at which time addresses were delivered by Andrew Jackson Montague, former Governor of Virginia; Major Water Miller, of the British Embassy and Vimy Ridge fame, and R. Walton Moore. The prime object of the meeting was to arouse enthusiasm in the interest of the Red Cross drive in Fairfax County as that county desires to raise \$4,000, its quota of the fund.

Contractors are now engaged in cutting down Battery Rodgers with a big steam shovel and it is expected that this work will be completed the latter part of this week. On the site will be erected a big dormitory for the shipyard workers. The building Corporation, South of the proposed dormitory this concern now has in course of construction a big commissary department.

There will be a community sing tomorrow (Monday) night at 7:45 o'clock in the yard of Christ P. E. Church. The leadership of the sing will be given by the Rev. J. M. A. Gordon and the band from Camp Quantico and the band from that camp will be on hand. The songs that are to be sung will be thrown on a screen. The United States flag will be on hand. The affair will be largely attended.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council will be held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the number of matters of importance will be up for consideration.

A. G. Uhler, this city, accompanied by Rev. L. P. Harper, Herndon, Va., will leave tomorrow for Durant, Okla., representing the Potomac Presbytery, to attend a session of the Southern Presbyterian Convention of the United States.

The funeral of Sergeant Major John M. Leadbetter, 66th Pioneer Infantry, will take place at 11 o'clock Monday morning from his late residence, 50 Prince street. Services will be conducted by Rev. W. J. Morton, rector of Christ P. E. Church, and the interment, which will be private, will be made in Ivy Hill Cemetery.

Members of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association now in annual session at Mount Vernon today attended services at the Episcopal Church in accordance with an annual custom.

Mrs. J. G. Cockey, Mrs. C. E. Outcalt, Miss Irma Coleman, this city; Mrs. M. E. Yates, Mrs. R. M. and Mrs. Henry Knowles, Falls Church, have gone to Harrisonburg, Va., as delegates to the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church South.

Mother's Day was generally observed here. At many of the churches sermons appropriate to the observance of the day were delivered and the custom of wearing carnations was general.

CLARK, FAMED LEADER, AT COMMUNITY "SING"

War Camp Service Gives Sixth Program at Central High.

While Kenneth S. Clark, famous song leader for the War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities, led an audience composed of nearly 3,000 persons, Mother's Day was celebrated at the sixth community "sing" yesterday in the Central High School auditorium.

"Auld Lang Syne" and "Mother Machree" were sung. Kipling's "Mother of Mine" was sung by James Holland of the 312th Machine Gun Company, now stationed at Camp Meade. One of Pershing's veterans was present.

Harold Keats, executive secretary of the War Camp Community Service, had the "sing" in charge.

Women Take Honors at Yale.

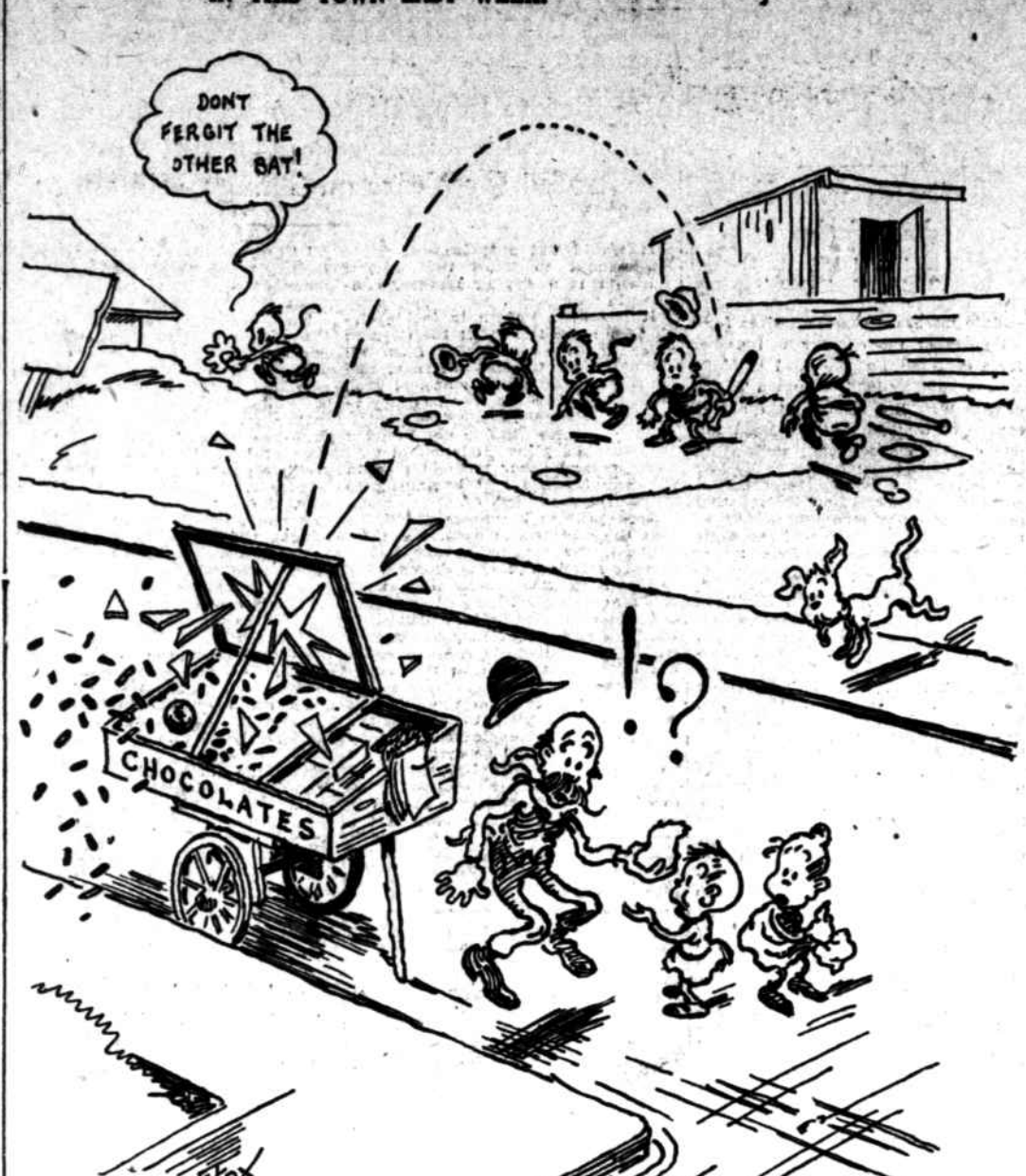
New Haven, Conn., May 12.—Women students in the graduate schools in Yale University have taken the honors in a list given out, this being an unusually large number. They won the two research fellowships, took both the first and second prizes in the university general fellowships and three of the university scholarships.

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By FONTAINE FOX.

"Buck" Dyer Lets Us Know
Marines Not Molluscoddles

Former News Editor of The Herald, Now Private at Paris Island, Tells of Strenuous Training Stunts.

How the "soldiers of the sea" train for the big show in France, is told by Stanley Dyer, former news editor of The Washington Herald, but now a member of the Marine Corps stationed at Paris Island, in a letter to a member of The Herald staff.

Strenuous Games.
Strenuous games are part of the training, according to The Herald. After a session of "master of the ring," he says, "I left several inches of my hide on the field, not to mention sixty-odd cents and my penknife. The letter is as follows: 'Three days after my enlistment, our company hiked away to the beautiful seashore of Quantico upon the stony strand and began digging up the place. There was little time for rest between drills and drills. Most of the rest periods were given over to physical exercises. So I soon began to feel like Jess Willard.'

"After each set of exercises there was a game far different from 'post office' for instance, one of 'em was called 'master of the ring,' played with two sides, 'Yanks' and 'Huns,' the object being to push, kick or throw the Huns outside the ring."

"It was my fate to be chosen as a Hun and after the fight I left several inches of my hide on the field, not to mention sixty-odd cents and my penknife. The next time that game was played, I hunked in on the Yanks' side."

Maybe So Buck.
"The boxing instructor then showed up and started a succession of tournaments which resulted in a fine collection of black eyes and split lips. So you see I'm getting a regular training."

Next time I see Andy Kelley, I'll say, 'Hello, old top,' and give him a light tap on the shoulder which will probably knock him cold. "Not for the sake of the company are disposed to take the scrappy stunts as part of the game. I should say not! One chap uttered a protest against the 'master of the ring.' He said he sprained his ankle. Several more took similar tales to the drill sergeant. "Next morning at roll call the latter said: 'Now there's a couple of drat dogs—'em with boys in the outfit. I've got their names. They think the life is too tough. I want to tell you right here it's going to be a darn sight tougher. A pink tea guy came to me last night and said the food wasn't up to his standard. I told him: 'All I got to say is this: The grub's good enough for me or any honest-to-God man, and the life ain't hurt me any either. There's no place in the Marine Corps for silver spoon bums.'

Raps Complainers.
"Of course, the old boy's right. We worked every day, but it's for our own good and the food is really good enough for anybody. If John D. had eaten this kind of meals all his life, he wouldn't be in such a bad fix now."

"Well, as I started to tell you, I left the shining beach about a week ago in heavy marching order and advanced into a miniature forest of pine trees where there was much skirmish drill and battle practice with scout and guard duty by night and day. The work is so interesting that a fellow forgets the fatigue until it almost overcomes him."

Births Reported.
Daniel F. and Carrie Stoner, boy. George W. and Caroline Skilton, boy. Maxwell and Golden James, boy. Oscar L. and Alice R. Blanton, girl.

DEATH REPORT.
Rufus McKillop, 77, tuberculosis Hosp. Wm. W. Woodward, 3, 22 E. St. George J. Beckert, 41, 428 1/2 St. Amanda E. Shand, 41, Casualty Hospital. Wm. A. Bost, 65, 305 T St. Alford D. Powers, 29, 1331 K St. Margaret Brock, 26, 620 Mass. Ave. nw.

WILL FARMERS LET
GO SURPLUS WHEAT?

Millers and Brokers Perplexed Over Attitude of Grain Producers.

Chicago, May 12.—The question agitating the millers and other users of wheat and flour in the country is: Will the farmers let the surplus wheat go? Many of the grain men believe that there will be a further increase in the moment, if for no other reason than that the crop prospects could hardly be better than they are. In addition to this there has been large takings of wheat by the State food administrators in various localities of the winter and spring wheat belts and these takings will probably withhold farmers from the market will not be tolerated.

There were a few localities where the ground was probably a little too wet to permit of seeding of corn last week, but wherever it was possible to plant this grain, farmers put in every hour planting.

From day to day there were liberal deliveries of oats on May contracts and this is to continue according to some authorities.

There is a bearish situation for hog products according to some of the best judges in the provision trade.

Learn Your Husband's Business.
There is a woman in New York who teaches other women things about business. Many women come to her with their troubles. In the American Magazine a writer tells, how, once, one woman came to this woman for advice.

"My husband and I, a Wall Street man, a few nights ago some friends were at the house and they were talking about the market with him. I asked a very foolish question, and although the man tried to control his mirth, I could see how embarrassed and disgusted my husband was at my ignorance. I realized then how little I knew about his business and that I was really not his business partner but merely his housekeeper. It's humiliating and degrading, and with your help I'm going to remedy the situation as soon as possible."

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